

CITY OF FINLAYSON PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION
WORKGROUP MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 28, 2025 @ 1-3:30 PM

ROLL CALL: Dennis Liebelt, Nancy Liebelt, Jeff Flaws, Dave Auchter Absent: Marge Haefner, Nate Konkel, Bruce Pogatchnik, Josette Koets Guest: Penny Simonsen-East Central Regional Development Commission (ECRDC)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

BUSINESS: Review the Comprehensive Plan 2004

Nancy Liebelt and Penny Simonsen led the group in discussion of the Residential, Rural Residential, and High-Density Residential Goals and Policies of the Comprehensive Plan. The meeting started with a discussion of statistics. Penny shared that since 1920 – present there has been an increase of population of two-ten individuals. Family size is shrinking. There has been 94 new mail boxes in the area including all the outlying areas of Finlayson due to more metro people working from home (cabins). Most people own their homes. Survey shows many want to promote residential development, commercial and businesses, support down town renewal, single family homes, would like recreational space and improvements and get blight under control.

Discussion was held about getting an information packet to realtors and school board representatives to promote the school and town. Nancy brought up the need for child care to make sure the school and community draws more people to build, buy, rent, work in our community. Penny agreed to set up a meeting of school personnel, community members, and stake holders to discuss promotion of the school, child care needs, and access needs.

The group proceeded to review the residential goals and policies of the comprehensive plan. A discussion was held on all the goals and policies and Penny will make suggested changes to the document. The new document will eventually be presented to the community and P & Z commission for further comments and updates. After that it will be submitted to the Finlayson City Council for adoption.

Penny suggested having a longer meeting to finish up the residential goals and policies. All members agreed to this. Meeting was adjourned by Nancy Liebelt at 3:00 p.m.

Next meetings of the work group: **MAY 19, 2025 1:00-3:00 P.M. @ Finlayson City Hall**

Respectfully submitted by: Nancy Liebelt

Ordinance/Fees work group: April 30, 2025 9-11:30 a.m. @ Finlayson City Hall

Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting: May 5, 2025 @ 6:30-8 p.m. @ Finlayson City Hall